

palaeolimnology. He is currently engaged in a survey of phytoplankton in Porirua Harbour, and pursuing his interests in the ultrastructure of seaweed and palaeolimnology.

Joe Whitton is involved with chemical analysis at the Soil Bureau, D.S.I.R. He has done research involving a number of elements in soils, such as pedo-chemical research on zinc. He has also been involved in the study of hydrothermal activity on the element content of soil and plants.

BIOLOGICAL SOCIETY REPORT ON ACTIVITIES IN 1975

General Committee

President:	Bill Makepeace
Treasurer:	Margaret Rankin
Secretary:	Barbara Oulaghan
Committee:	Dave Catt
	Dave Greenwood
	Robin McCammon
	Glen Stewart
	Harry Taylor
	Elspeth Wingham

BioSoc had an action-packed year in 1975. Its members mixed work with play in innumerable steins, a reception for the New Zealand Entomological Society, a wine and cheese, and the end of year dinner. These events were characteristically relaxed, and ran in a well-lubricated manner. The society ran a number of field trips: a trip to the Broken River cave, to the Oteha River hot spring, to the Hurunui River hot springs, and to the Salmon Traps at Glenariffe. The results of the now-famous trip to the Hurunui hot springs are presented in this volume. The role of groups of biologists, such as BioSoc, in promoting awareness of the biological implications of mans' impact on the environment, is reflected in two seminars presented by BioSoc in 1975: "Population Policy - do we need one?" and "Air Pollution in Christchurch". Both these seminars were well attended. The committee of BioSoc wishes to thank all members who supported these activities.

APOLOGY

In *Mauri Ora* 3: 137, it was stated that Dr C.J. Burrows is involved with the Beech Action Committee. Dr Burrows is not involved with that committee, and the Editor of *Mauri Ora* apologises for any inconvenience this mistake may have caused.